(Department of Education) has intimated that it has not proposed the establishment of National Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences.

(b) Does not arise.

Accident involving goods train near Vijayawada

292. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several wagons of a goods train loaded with wheat were derailed on the new bridge across the Krishna river near Vijayawada on the 14th January, 1986 causing severe damage to the new bridge and derailed wagons as well as wheat;

(b) if so, whether an inquiry has been conducted into the accident;

(c) if so, what is the outcome of the inquiry and whether the officials responsible for negligence leading to the accident have been punished; and

(d) what steps Government propose to take to prevent such accidents in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. An inter-departmental enquiry has been conducted into the accident. The cause of the accident has been determined by the Inquiry Committee as combination of wagon and track defects. Disciplinary action against staff held responsible for accident, is being taken.

(d) (i) Intensification of train examination;

(ii) Improvement in maintenance of track including use of ultrasonic testing devices for detection of rail factures;

(iii) Provision of automatic rerailing devices at the approaches of important bridges;

(iv) Amendment to the Subsidiary Rules requiring exchange of "all right" signals between Guards and Drivers at the approaches of important bridges; and

(v) Intensive inspections by inspector and officers to direct irregularities and shortcomings.

Purchase of Westland helicopters for the ONGC

293. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the selection of the helicopters to be purchased for the Oil and Natural Gas Commission has been finalised;

(b) whether the Westland Company of the U. K. has satisfied all our requirements about the helicopters; and

(c) if so, what is the schedule of delivery of the Westland helicopters and terms of payment and delivery of spare parts etc.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No final decision has yet been taken in the matter so far.

(b) Yes, Sir

(c) Does not arise in view of reply to part (a) above.

State-wise targets of family planning

294. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise targets of family planning by sterlisations and other methods fixed for the year 1985-86;

(b) the actual State-wise performance in the field of family planning;

(c) the steps whose performance has been poor and the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken by the Central Government to provide further incentivs for family planning to achieve the targetted results?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR):